WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 1950

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served January 8, 1979

Application of BELTWAY LIMOUSINE)	Case	No.	AP-78-5
SERVICE, INC., for a Certificate)			
to Perform Charter Operations)			
Pursuant to Contract-United States)			
Department of Agriculture)			

On December 8, 1978, Beltway Limousine Service, Inc. (Beltway), filed the above-captioned application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to transport government employees together with mail, express and baggage, in the same vehicle as passengers, between the Federal Building, 6505 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville, Md., and the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), 12th Street and Independence Avenue, S. W., Washington, D. C., in charter operations pursuant to contract with the USDA, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

Applicant proposes to provide eight round-trip shuttles between these points on each government workday using two 19-passenger minibuses at a price of \$240 a day. It is presently operating the requested service under a grant of temporary authority pursuant to Commission Order No. 1914, served November 6, 1978.

Beltway holds Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 25 issued by this Commission which authorizes, inter alia, charter operations between points within the Metropolitan District restricted, as pertinent, to service performed in vehicles with a seating capacity for 15 passengers or less. It has purchased two 19-passenger minibuses to perform the temporary authority operations for USDA.

Along with its application Beltway has submitted a copy of an executed contract with USDA, a proposed time schedule for the shuttle runs, and a current statement of financial condition. It has also listed Dawson's Charter Service, Inc., The Gray Line, Inc.,*/ Atwood's Transport

^{*/} The operating rights of The Gray Line, Inc., have been purchased by Atwood's Transport Lines, Inc., as approved by Order No. 1912, served November 6, 1978.

Lines, Inc., and Metro Bus (Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority) as existing carriers with the authority to perform the proposed service, noting that none of them bid on the USDA contract.

In accordance with the requirements of the Compact, Title II, Article XII, Section 4(b) and (c), this matter shall be scheduled for public hearing. Applicant shall be assessed an amount preliminarily estimated to cover the cost of the proceeding and required to submit a projected operating statement.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. That the above-entitled matter is hereby scheduled for public hearing to commence at 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, February 13, 1979, in the Hearing Room of the Commission, Room 314, 1625 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006.
- 2. That applicant publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District notice of this application and hearing in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission, no later than Tuesday, January 16, 1979.
- 3. That applicant post in each vehicle used in performing the proposed service under temporary authority, conspicuously and continuously through the date of public hearing, notice of this application and hearing in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission, no later than Tuesday, January 16, 1979.
- 4. That applicant display on each of its vehicles the name of the carrier and appropriate certificate number or temporary authority notation in accordance with Commission Regulation No. 68 and file an affidavit stating that its vehicles are properly identified no later than 12 noon, Tuesday, February 6, 1979.
- 5. That applicant produce at the public hearing affidavits of said posting and publication.
- 6. That any person desiring to protest shall file a protest in accordance with Commission Rule 14, or any person desiring to be heard in this matter shall so notify the Commission, in writing, no later than Wednesday, January 31, 1979, and shall mail a copy of such protest or notification to counsel for applicant, John Miles, Esquire, O'Malley, Miles, Farrington & McCarthy, 9827 Central Avenue, Upper Marlboro, Md. 20870.
- 7. That applicant is hereby assessed \$350 pursuant to Title II, Article XII, Section 19 of the Compact and directed to deliver said amount to the office of the Commission, Suite 316, 1625 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006, no later than 12 noon, Tuesday, February 6, 1979.

8. That applicant file with the Commission six copies of a projected annual revenue and revenue deductions statement for the proposed service no later than 12 noon, Tuesday, February 6, 1979, serve one copy thereof on each party of record as of Wednesday, January 31, 1979, and produce the original at the public hearing.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

VILLIAM H. MCGILVERY

Executive Director,

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